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REMARKS

Claims 11 and 15-16 are pending and claim 11 has been amended. No new matter has been added by this amendment. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

I. Compliance with Sequence Rules

The Examiner suggests that Applicants' reply filed on 7/3/07 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because the Pro-Pro sequence of claim 11 needs a SEQ ID NO.

In an earnest effort to facilitate the allowance of the claims pending in this case, Applicants have amended claim 11, as well as the specification at page 24 (lines 29 and 20), to provide sequence identifiers for the Pro-Pro... sequences recited therein, as required under 37 CFR §§1.821 through 1.825. Furthermore, a replacement Sequence Listing in compliance with 37 CFR §§1.821 through 1.825 is submitted herewith to incorporate SEQ ID NO:15 and SEQ ID NO:16. In light of these amendments, it is respectfully submitted the concerns of the Examiner have been addressed in full and withdrawal of all outstanding rejections is earnestly requested.

II. Conclusion

Applicants believe that the foregoing comprises a full and complete response to the Office Communication of record.

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Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and subsequent allowance of the pending claims is earnestly solicited.

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